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ARTICLES IN THE WARRANT FOR TOWN MEETING TO BE HELD MARCH 7th, 1888.

ARTICLE 1.—To choose a Moderator to preside at said meeting.

ART. 2.—To choose three Selectmen, three Assessors, Town Clerk, one School Committee for three years, one School Committee for two years, Treasurer, an Elector under the will of Oliver Smith, all to be voted for on one ballot, and to choose all other necessary Town officers.

ART. 3.—To take action under Chap. 100, Sec. 5 of the Public Statutes. The vote must be by separate ballots, Yes or No, in answer to the question, "Shall licenses be granted for the sale of intoxicating liquors in this Town?"

ART. 4.—To hear the report of the Selectmen, Treasurer and School Committee, and act thereon.

ART. 5.—To raise money to defray Town charges for the year ensuing, and makeappropriations for the same.

ART. 6.—To revise and accept the list of Jurors as submitted by the Selectmen.

ART. 7.—To see if the Town will make an appropriation for the Public Library, and choose a committee to expend the same.

ART. 8.—To see if the Town will vote to raise three per cent. on amount of Town grant, State and County tax, the same to be allowed to those who shall pay their taxes on or before August 1st, 1888.

ART. 9.—To see what the Town will do with the money received from the County, called the Dog Fund.

ART. 10.—To see if the Town will raise a sum of money to be used for repair of its Town Hall.

Art. 11.—To see if the Town will raise and appropriate money for one or more terms of High School, subject to the control of the School Committee.

Art. 12.—To see if the Town will raise a small sum of money, to be expended in the care of the several burial grounds of the Town, and choose a committee to expend the same.

Art. 13.—To see if the Town will vote to insure its Town buildings against damage by fire.

Art. 14.—To see if the Town will raise and appropriate money for the repair of School Houses, as recommended by the School Committee.

Art. 15.—To see if the Town will vote to discontinue the road known as the "Chestnut Mountain" road, from a point near the foot of the mountain to the Hatfield line.

C. K. WAITE, TREASURER, IN ACCOUNT WITH TOWN OF WHATELY.

Dr.

To cash from C. K. Waite, ex-treasurer,	$1,460 08
George A. Elder, Collector,	6,631 51
State Treasurer, Nat'l Bank Tax,	1,125 49
Corporation Tax,	82 66
State Aid,	228 89
Victor D. Bardwell, ex-collector,	372 78
State Treasurer School Fund,	313 61
John Maxwell for wood,	160 00
Conn. River Railroad Co., damage,	125 00
E. F. Orcutt, license,	150 00
Temporary Loan, S. E. Allis,	500 00
Town of Williamsburg,	2 75
Town of Amherst, support of Clara Billings,	88 50
Luman S. Crafts, use of derrick,	16 00
R. C. Howes, sale of school books,	27 15
For 2 bbls. cement,	3 20
L. A. Crafts for road scraper,	4 00
State Treasurer for State Pauper,	5 50
Ellen E. Chaffee library fines,	1 10
R. C. Howes rent of Town Hall,	5 75
R. C. Howes school books,	1 50
	$11,305 47

Cr.

By amount of old orders paid of 1886-87,	$ 684 30	
Orders paid of 1887-8,	7,860 26	
Cash in Treasury,	2,760 91	
		$11,305 47

GEORGE A. ELDER, COLLECTOR, IN ACCOUNT WITH THE TOWN OF WHATELY.

Dr.

To amount of Town grant,	$4,875 70
State tax,	607 50
County tax,	791 79
Discount on taxes,	188 25
Overlyings,	168 27
	$6,631 51

Cr.

By cash paid C. K. Waite, Treasurer,	$6,631 51

LIST OF JURYMEN PREPARED FEB. 17th, 1888.

Paul W. Field,	Edmund B. Crafts,	H. W. Bardwell,
J. W. Dickinson,	Leander F. Crafts,	E. A. Belden,
S. P. White,	George A. Elder,	S. E. Allis,
Victor D. Bardwell,	Warren P. Crafts,	R. C. Howes,
Ambrose Scott,	Rufus Dickinson,	F. B. Morton.

Selectmen's Report.

To the Inhabitants of the Town of Whately:

In accordance with the vote of the Town the money appropriated for the ordinary repair of Highways, was apportioned to the six surveyors in the several districts. The North-west district was given $125, the South-west $125, North Center $100, South Center $100, North-East $75, the South-East $75. As will be seen by the report, some of the surveyors have overdrawn their appropriation, with the approval of the Selectmen, such action having been made necessary by the unusual rainfall in August, and the snow blockades of the winter months. Of the several highway districts, those roads under the supervision of C. A. Bardwell, A. Scott, and E. A. Warner, seem to have suffered more than the others from the August freshet, but are now left in average good condition.

We would recommend that the Town raise the same amount for the coming year, and that the surveyors have the liberty to hire such help as they think best qualified to perform the work to be accomplished.

BRIDGES AND CULVERTS.

Believing it to be economy for the Town, to continue the plan adopted by our predecessors, and gradually substitute our decayed and unsafe, wooden structures, for permanent ones of stone and iron, we have torn up during the year three wooden bridges, and built in their places, stone culverts, laid in cement, and covered with stone. Besides these the surveyors have done some good work in the same direction, in which connection refer-

ence is made to a culvert near J. B. Waite's, and one on the Conway road.

For the coming year we would recommend the Town to raise $1,000 for this object, as there are several culverts that must have some attention, and the bridge in the south part of the Town, near land of Emerson Warner, is considered unsafe, and should be rebuilt.

POOR.

By visitation of Providence, and the action of the Superior Court, our list of "Town Charges" has been materially reduced until at the present time we have but four, as follows:
Hannah Bardwell, aged 72 years.
Benjamin Loveridge.
A. W. Judd, aged 43 years.
E. E. Smith, aged 49 years.

It does not seem that as much money will be needed in this department the ensuing year.

GUIDE BOARDS.

In accordance with the law passed by the Legislature, and approved April 11, 1887, we have erected guide posts at the forks of roads leading to other towns.

We congratulate the Town upon the efficiency of its collector for the year that is past, and also upon having, at the beginning of a new year, a sufficient sum of money in the Treasury to pay the bills of the Town until taxes can be collected.

Respectfully submitted,

L. A. CRAFTS,
R. M. SWIFT,
F. D. BELDEN,
} Selectmen of Whately.

FINANCES.

MISCELLANEOUS ORDERS.

Leander F. Crafts, painting road machine,	$ 5 00
E. F. Orcutt, for services as Elector,	10 00
Luman S. Crafts, rope for Town derrick,	10 02
Mary and Irene Dickinson, land damage,	7 00
L. A. Crafts, express, stationery, postage, recording deed, services as Justice of the Peace,	8 00
Daniel Dickinson, labor on school house,	1 00
Leander F. Crafts, labor and paint Town hall and school houses,	35 51
E. A. Belden, labor on school house,	50
Frary Bros., labor on Town hall and school houses,	43 20
M. Howes, wood and merchandise Town hall and school houses,	36 81
A. G. Miner, wall paper for Selectmen's room,	3 50
E. M. Martin, paper for North-west school house,	3 55
George W. Bennett, labor on school houses,	50
O. E. Morton, shingling school houses,	15 75
F. D. Belden, lumber and labor, school houses,	8 25
Wm. P. Smith, labor, school houses,	4 00
E. E. Sanderson, " " "	2 00
Morris J. Powers, " " "	2 25
L. S. Wilcox, " " "	2 00
J. L. Smith, " " "	3 00
L. H. Longley, damage to horse, defective bridge,	15 00
C. K. Waite, tax on Town land,	3 86
P. Jubenville, sharpening drills,	1 32
R. M. Swift, painting derrick,	1 00
J. D. Seymour, express, freight, postage, etc.,	15 24
J. D. Seymour, reporting births, marriages and deaths,	19 75
A. L. Adkins, sharpening drills and repairs,	8 60
George R. Graves, stationery and express,	3 75

Leander F. Crafts, reporting deaths,	$5 75
Lincoln Sanderson, support of water trough,	5 00
H. W. Bardwell,	5 00
W. H. Wright, cutting edge for road machine,	8 75
American Ex. Co., " "	55
George W. Moore, railing timber,	2 00
Frank Bardwell, labor on railings,	1 25
L. A. Crafts, " "	2 00
James M. Crafts, services as Probation officer,	3 95
Town of Sunderland, support of bridge,	32 96
Elisha Jenney, support of water trough,	3 00
R. C. Howes, care of Town Hall,	10 00
L. A. Crafts, services as registrar,	10 00
R. M. Swift, " "	10 00
F. D. Belden, " "	10 00
J. D. Seymour, " "	10 00
Frary Bros., ringing bell,	10 00
J. Austin Elder, labor on Town hall,	2 50
Mrs. Geo. W. Bennett, labor on Town hall,	2 25
E. L. Graves, " "	2 25
David Laidley, mason work, "	20 00
Lorenzo Wolcutt, "	7 25
Ernest A. Allis, lumber, "	50
George R. Graves, " "	75
E. A. Belden, drawing brick, "	3 50
L. A. Crafts, labor on Town hall and store house,	13 50
R. M. Swift, " " "	12 50
J. A. Sullivan, bbl. lime, " "	1 75
Nutting, Brown & Bailey, 2100 brick, "	14 70
R. M. Swift, perambulating town lines,	5 00
L. A. Crafts, " "	6 00
F. D. Belden, " " and work on railings,	5 00
E. C. Davis, running town lines,	7 50
R. M. Swift, labor on railings,	5 00
Nelson Damon, moving line stone,	50
R. M. Swift, cash paid for spikes,	1 30
F. D. Belden, 20 loads of clay and cash for express,	1 25
Wade, Warner & Co., printing 300 Town reports,	20 40

Geo. W. Derrick, repairs on road machine,		1 25
C. K. Waite, Treasurer, for stationery and postage,		5 00
Conn. River Railroad Co., freight on cement and lime,		1 78
		$542 00

McCarty Road Damage Case.

Lawyer J. B. O'Donnell,	$300 00	
For legal advice and expenses,	16 00	
		$316 00

PAUPER CASE.

Whately vs. Amherst:		
Cash paid Conant & Conant,	$118 18	
L. A. Crafts, expenses,	25 00	
R. M. Swift, expenses,	10 00	
		$153 18

GUIDE BOARDS.

John Maxwell, lumber for posts,	$13 33	
E. P. Hall & Co., lumber for boards,	4 05	
I. R. Clark, painting,	8 00	
L. A. Crafts, cash for bolts and labor,	7 25	
Frank Bardwell, labor,	1 25	
A. S. Belden, drawing posts,	3 50	
		$37 38
Expenses attending the hearing before the Railroad Committee of the Legislature at Boston:		
L. A. Crafts, agent,	$30 00	
S. W. Allis, witness,	15 00	
E. F. Orcutt, "	15 00	
L. F. Graves, "	15 00	
Frank Dickinson, witness,	15 00	
		$90 00
		$1,138 56

BRIDGES AND CULVERTS.

Appropriation, $500.

Victor D. Bardwell, 2627 ft Chestnut plank,	$39 40
Chas. S. Sanderson, 990 ft " "	15 84
Hager Bros., 1750 ft. of lumber,	24 08
Geo. W. Moore, covering stone for culverts,	48 75
Earnest A. Allis, " " "	5 00
John Maxwell, plank,	5 78
C. B. Dickinson, stone for culverts,	3 30
Charles Potter, Stone,	5 00
J. E. Waite, labor,	3 60
Willis F. Waite, labor,	1 60
Frank E. Western,	1 00
J. A. Sullivan, 10 barrels cement,	14 50
Geo. W. Moore, cash paid for dynamite,	3 75
R. M. Swift, cash paid for dynamite,	3 75
Charles S. Sanderson, labor,	6 00
Charles A. Bardwell, "	8 62
Warren P. Crafts, "	7 00
S. B. Crafts, "	10 50
L. H. Longley, "	7 00
L. G. Stearns, "	7 00
Patrick Brennan, "	3 00
Nicholas Heafry, "	3 00
Jerre Heafry, "	4 50
Patrick Morrissey, "	2 50
Michael Henrahan, "	9 00
John Blunkard, "	4 50
Frank D. Belden, "	17 95
David Germaine, "	7 50
Geo. Bartlett, hanging lantern,	1 00
William A. Brown, 850 feet chestnut lumber,	12 75
C. E. Bardwell, labor,	2 15
R. M. Swift, "	47 75
L. A. Crafts, "	31 50
E. E. Sanderson, "	47 25
John Scott, "	7 50

Geo. W. Moore, labor,	$25 00
E. A. Warner, "	4 50
	$452 82

SUPPORT OF SCHOOLS.

Jennie L. Pease, teaching N. C. School,	$228 00
Rosella E. Clark, " S. C. "	234 00
Carrie J. Bardwell, " S. W. "	161 00
Jennie Higgins, " N. W. "	144 00
E. J. Aldrich, " N. E. "	150 00
Rose Higgins, " S. E. "	163 50
Rose Higgins, " N. W. "	72 00
Allen Belden, " S. E. "	78 00
M. W. White, " N. E. "	66 00
Whitney & Adams, School books,	89 42
S. E. Bridgman & Co., "	13 50
F. M. Ambrose & Co., "	24 00
Cleaning School houses,	9 25
For Janitors,	15 25
F. D. Belden, care of School books,	5 00
" " 5 cords of wood N. E. and S. E. schools,	25 00
J. E. Waite, 6 " " N. W. and S. W. schools,	25 20
Frank O. Scott, 3 " N. C. "	15 00
Mrs. H. K. White, 3 " S. C. "	14 10
R. C. Howes, cash for books, etc., "	6 19
M. Howes, brooms, pails, etc., "	2 40
O. E. Morton, wood box, N. E. "	1 35
Van Antwerp, Bragg & Co., books, "	42 20
	$1,584 36

MILITARY AID.

Moses W. Jewett, under Chap. 252,	$120 00
Ernest A. Allis, " " 301,	48 00
Edward E. Sanderson, " "	36 00
Stephen G. Stearns, " "	36 00
Mary A. Lyman, " "	4 00
	$244 00

INTEREST.

State Treasurer Int. on Town debt to Feb. 1st, 1888,	$268 10
Stolham E. Allis, on temporary loan,	18 00
	$286 10

HIGHWAYS.

Appropriation, $600.

Charles A. Bardwell, surveyor,	$167 11
Charles E. Bardwell, "	96 05
Ambrose Scott, "	134 10
E. A. Warner, "	158 73
L. G. Stearns, "	73 47
Henry S. Higgins, "	49 60
	$679 06

SUPPORT OF POOR.

Appropriation, $1,300.

A. W. Judd,	$188 32
Benjamin Loveridge,	156 79
Hannah Bardwell,	170 79
Edward E. Smith,	145 93
Catherine Slattery,	10 00
Clara O. Billings of Amherst,	51 06
Joseph Belden,	114 34
Preston Belden,	116 14
James Ahearn,	82 81
Alonzo Crafts,	60 54
Obed Smith,	136 48
Tramps,	28 70
Patrick McCarty, State pauper,	5 50
	$1,267 40

OLD BILLS.

R. M. Swift, expenses in McCarty case,	$10 00
Almeron Crafts, for highway labor,	95
F. M. Ambrose, school books,	26 40
S. E. Bridgman, " "	18 40
E. F. Orcutt, keeping tramps,	2 00

F. D. Belden, breaking roads,	$1 50
Dwight L. Crafts, " "	50
E. E. Wood, library book,	2 00
George B. McClellan, breaking roads,	1 60
E. A. Belden, " "	1 50
E. E. Sanderson, " "	2 70
George W. Moore, " "	1 75
Henry E. Nash, " "	1 75
George E. Sanderson, " "	3 00
Henry W. Bardwell, " "	2 00
	$76 05

SUNDRIES.

C. M. Moody, Treasurer, County Tax,	$791 79
A. W. Beard, State tax,	607 50
A. W. Beard, Liquor license,	37 50
S. E. Allis, Temporary loan,	500 00
George A. Elder, discount on taxes,	93 25
	$2,030 04

LIBRARY BOOKS.

DeWolf Fisk & Co., books,	$56 80
W. H. Buhler, "	3 00
Ellen E. Chaffee, "	50
C. K. Waite, cash for books,	32 38
	$92 68

ABATEMENTS.

Frank D. Crafts,	$2 00
C. E. Felton,	3 10
Charles A. Pratt,	2 00
Frank Smith,	2 00
Moses Winter,	2 00
Luther M. Crafts,	62
	$11 72

REPAIRS ON LIBRARY ROOM.

Appropriation, $50.

Expended as follows:

C. A. Van Doorn, paper, curtains, etc.,	$5 66
L. F. Crafts, labor, varnish and paint,	10 52
Frary Bros.,	2 60
Luman S. Crafts, labor and lumber,	5 00
M. Howes,	1 58
J. L. Lyons, chair,	5 00
L. A. Crafts, cash paid for fixtures,	1 45
R. M. Swift, cash for brackets,	75
	$32 56

SERVICES OF TOWN OFFICERS.

SELECTMEN.

Lyman A. Crafts,	$100 00	
Rufus M. Swift,	69 00	
Franklin D. Belden,	50 00	
		$219 00

ASSESSORS.

George R. Graves,	$30 00	
Edmund A. Belden,	29 25	
Victor D. Bardwell,	27 50	
		86 75

SCHOOL COMMITTEE.

Ryland C. Howes,	$25 00	
Franklin D. Belden,	25 00	
Eugene M. Frary,	25 00	
		75 00

TREASURER.

Chester K. Waite,	35 00
George A. Elder, Collector,	76 00
Ellen M. Chaffee, Librarian,	50 00

RECAPITULATION.

AMOUNT OF ORDERS DRAWN BY SELECTMEN.

Discount on Taxes,	$ 93 25
Schools,	1,584 36

Poor,	$1,267 40
Highways,	679 06
Bridges and culverts,	452 82
Repairs of Library room,	32 56
Library Books,	92 68
Interest,	286 10
Town officers,	415 75
Temporary loan,	500 00
License,	37 50
State tax,	607 50
County tax,	791 79
Military aid,	244 00
Old bills,	76 05
Abatements,	11 72
Collector,	76 00
Librarian,	50 00
Miscellaneous,	1,138 56
Total,	$8,437 10

LIABILITIES OF THE TOWN.

Bond to State Treasurer, Int. paid to Feb. 1st, 1888,	$7,660 00
Outstanding orders,	576 84
	$8,236 84

ASSETS.

Cash in Treasury,	$2,760 91	
Due from State military aid,	214 00	
County Dog Fund of 1887,	44 00	
Town lands,	200 00	
School books on hand,	134 00	
Balance of Indebtedness,	4,883 93	
		$8,236 84
Decrease of indebtedness since last report,		$869 08

REPORT

OF THE

SCHOOL COMMITTEE.

To the tax-payers of Whately, we submit the following report of receipts and expenditures for educational purposes during the year, together with such comments, suggestions and statistical tables as appear to us of interest and value.

MONEY RAISED.

From Town appropriation,	$1,200 00
Received from State School Fund,	313 61
Amount old books sold C. F. Stearns,	27 00
New " "	1 50
	$1,542 11

MONEY EXPENDED.

NORTH WEST.

Paid Miss Rose Higgins for teaching Spring term 12 weeks, $6,	$72 00
Paid Miss Jennie Higgins, teaching Fall term, 11 weeks, $6,	66 00
Winter term, 13 weeks, $6,	78 00
J. E. Waite, 3 cords Wood, $4.20,	12 60
Mary Bardwell, cleaning,	2 25
	$230 85

Whole number scholars, Spring term,	15	
Fall term,	11	
Winter term,	10	

SOUTH WEST.

Paid Miss Carrie E. Bardwell, teaching Spring term, 12 weeks, $5.75,		$69 00
Fall term, 11 weeks, $6,		66 00
Winter term, 4 weeks, $6.50,		26 00
J. E. Waite, 3 cords wood, $4.20,		12 60
Levi More, janitor,		1 00
Mrs. C. A. Graves, cleaning,		1 00
		$175 60
Whole number of scholars, Spring term,	18	
Fall term,	17	
Winter term,	17	

NORTH CENTER.

Paid Miss J. L. Pease, teaching Spring term 12 weeks, $6,		$72 00
Fall term, 11 weeks, $6.50,		71 50
Winter term, 13 weeks, $6.50,		84 50
F. O. Scott, 3 cords of wood, $5,		15 00
Lewis Scott, janitor,		2 00
Willie Conoly "		1 00
Mrs. Patrick Conoly, cleaning,		1 50
		$247 50
Whole number of scholars, Spring term,	27	
Fall term,	26	
Winter term,	25	

SOUTH CENTER.

Paid Miss Rosella E. Clark, teaching Spring term, 12 weeks, $6.50,		$78 00
Fall term, 10 weeks, $6.50,		65 00

Winter term, 14 weeks, $6.50,		$91 00
Mrs. H. K. White, 3 cords of wood, $4.70,		14 10
Willie Flemming, janitor,		1 25
Mrs. Maggie Callahan, cleaning,		1 50
		$250 85
Whole number of scholars, Spring term,	31	
Fall term,	32	
Winter term,	39	

NORTH EAST.

Paid Miss M. W. White, teaching Spring term, 12 weeks, $5.50,		$66 00
Paid Miss E. J. Aldrich, teaching fall term, 15 weeks, $6,		90 00
Winter term, 10 weeks, $6,		60 00
F. D. Belden, 2 cords wood, $5,		10 00
Lewis Morton, janitor,		1 00
Malcolm Adams, "		1 00
F. D. Belden, "		2 00
Mrs. Ellen Morrissey, cleaning,		4 00
		$234 00
Whole number of scholars, Spring term,	21	
Fall term,	10	
Winter term,	16	

SOUTH EAST.

Paid Mr. Allen Belden, teaching Spring term, 12 weeks, $6.50,	$78 00
Paid Miss Rose Higgins, teaching Fall term, 15 weeks $6.50,	97 50
Winter term, 10 weeks, $6.50,	65 00
F. D. Belden, 3 cords of wood, $5,	15 00
Randolph Belden, janitor,	1 00
F. D. Belden, "	2 50

Miss Rose Higgins, building fires,		$1 00
Miss Patrick Morrissey, cleaning,		1 50
		$261 50
Whole number scholars Spring term,	40	
Fall term,	37	
Winter term,	37	

RECAPITULATION.

Amount appropriated by Town,	$1,200 00
Received from State School Fund,	313 61
Old books sold C. F. Stearns,	27 00
New " "	1 50
Amount overrun appropriation,	42 25
	$1,584 36

EXPENDED.

North West School,	$230 85
South West "	175 60
North Center "	247 50
South Center "	250 85
North East "	234 00
South East "	261 50
Cash paid for books,	172 12
Freight and express on books,	3 19
M. Howes, brooms and pails,	2 40
F. D. Belden, care books,	5 00
O. Morton, wood box,	1 35
	$1,584 36

REPAIRS.

Your Committee having looked at the school houses have made an estimate of the amount of money needed to make them comfortable; the South Center house needs a new floor and new seats. The North Center house also needs a new floor and new seats.

We think $300 will be sufficient for them both. We have made a low estimate, and we trust the Town will raise the sum asked for as these are much needed repairs.

REMARKS.

In reviewing the Schools your committee congratulate themselves upon the results accomplished, As a Town we have cause for congratulation with the general progress of school work.

Eight teachers have been employed in the six schools; four of them remaining through the year; and all of them have seemed to be faithful to their trusts. In conclusion, your committee would thank you for your liberal appropriations for the year past and would recommend the raising of $1200 for the coming year.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

R. C. HOWES,
E. M. FRARY,
F. D. BELDEN,
} School Committee of Whately.

LIBRARIAN'S REPORT.

Since my last report was written, the books presented by Mrs. Colton have been added to the Library, and a like sum appropriated by the Town, procured a much needed addition to the reading matter found on the shelves of the Whately library.

Mrs. Colton generously supplemented her gift of money with matting for the floor, hangings and curtains, covering entirely the north side of the room; and this again supplemented by the Town in painting and papering, and adding new furniture, making a neat and pleasant room, a matter of pride to the Town.

The appropriation, while not large, evidences continued interest in it, and I trust that the generosity of the Town may keep pace with the increase of book-takers, which has been steadily increasing ever since my appointment as Librarian. The number of books at the close of the present time is 1258. Two hundred and twenty-eight volumes having been added the past year.

ELLEN E. CHAFFEE, Librarian.